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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 04/28/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 25-44.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date ____.
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/Kamran Afshar/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2617

DETAILED ACTION

This Office Action is in response to the Preliminary Amendment filed on 04/28/2005.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

Abstract:

This invention relates to a method, system and communication terminal for ~~utilising~~ utilizing a MS format for user interfaces for applications ~~such as~~ running animations or audio-recordings, or ~~such as~~ showing screen images guiding an operator through a specific menu sequence.

In The claims:

39. (Currently Amended) A method for ~~utilising~~ utilizing a recording in a multimedia format as a reminder for a calendar application executed on a communication terminal, and comprising:

(a) generating said recording in ~~[[a]]~~ said multimedia format by means of a multimedia generating module;

(b) associating said recording with said reminder by means of a control module;

(c) storing said recording and said reminder by means of a storage module on said communication terminal; and

(d) executing said reminder and playing said recording by means of said control module controlling a multimedia playing module.

44. (Currently Amended) A system for ~~utilising~~ utilizing a recording in a multimedia format as a reminder for a calendar application executed on a communication terminal, and comprising:

(a) ~~[[a]]~~ said communication terminal comprising: (i) a control module for executing ~~[[a]]~~ said reminder comprising an executable program;

(ii) a multimedia generating module for generating a recording in ~~[[a]]~~ said multimedia format;

(iii) storage module for storing said reminder and for storing said recording in ~~[[a]]~~ said multimedia format; and

(iv) a multimedia playing module for playing said recording; and wherein said control module is adapted to associate said recording with said reminder and to control said multimedia playing module to play said recording in conjunction with said control module executing said reminder; and

(b) a server for generating and forwarding said reminder and/or said recording to said communication terminal over communication network.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 25-44 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: 25-44.

With respect to claim 1, SONY ERICSSON: P8000 USER'S GUIDE, FIRST EDITION, [Online] November 2002 (2002-11), XP002243967 Retrieved from the Internet: URL:http://www.sonyericsson.com/downloads/P800_UG_Rlc_EN_ZS.pdf> [retrieved on 2003-06-11] is the closest prior art to the application invention which discloses 107-100 a *calendar functions* that allows the user to keep track of appointments/events and to set reminder alarms for the reminder entries (See e.g. Pages 94-110).

Jauk (U.S. Pub. No.: 2003/0166405 A1) teaches a mobile apparatus that at other times than in connection with ringing, and the sound data may also be transmitted to the receiving apparatus. The sound data selected may be activated in conjunction with a certain function of the phone. For instance, when a calendar reminds of a birthday, the sound controller can fetch a birthday song from the memory and send it to the loudspeaker (See e.g. Page 3, 2 [0032], Fig. 1).

Valloppillil (U.S. Pub. No.: 2004/0092272, Provisional application 60/424, 733) teaches Asynchronous messaging based system for publishing and accessing content and accessing applications on a network with mobile devices (See e.g. Title, and Figs. 1-16).

Kim (U.S. Pub. No.: 2004/0214551 A1) teaches Digital mobile telephone and methods for executing and providing multimedia data for the digital mobile telephone (See e.g. Title, Figs. 2-3).

Sun (U.S. Pub. No.: 2002/0160751 A1), teaches mobile device with integrated voice recording mechanism (See e.g. Title, Figs. 1-7).

However, the prior art of record fails to disclose singly or in combination to render obvious that the communication terminal comprising: a) a multimedia generating module for generating a recording in a multimedia format; b) a calendar module for enabling a user of the communication terminal to generate a reminder in the multimedia format; c) storage module for storing the reminder, and for storing the recording in a multimedia format; d) a control module for executing the reminder comprising an executable program; and e) a multimedia playing module for playing the recording, and wherein the control module is adapted to associate the recording with the reminder and to control the multimedia playing module to play the recording in conjunction with the control module executing the reminder.

With respect to claim 39, the prior art of record fails to disclose singly or in combination to render obvious that the method comprising: (a) generating the recording in the multimedia format by means of a multimedia generating module; (b) associating the recording with the reminder by means of a control module; c) storing the recording and the reminder by means of a storage module on the communication terminal; and (d) executing the reminder and playing the recording by means of the control module controlling a multimedia playing module.

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With respect to claim 44, the prior art of record fails to disclose singly or in combination to render obvious that the communication terminal comprising: (i) a control module for executing the reminder comprising an executable program; (ii) a multimedia generating module for generating a recording in the multimedia format; (iii) storage module for storing the reminder and for storing the recording in the multimedia format; and (iv) a multimedia playing module for playing the recording; and wherein the control module is adapted to associate the recording with the reminder and to control the multimedia playing module to play the recording in conjunction with the control module executing the reminder.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Kamran Afshar whose telephone number is (571) 272-7796. The examiner can be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by the telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Eng, George** can be reached @ (571) 272-7495. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is **571-273-8300** for all communications.

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/Kamran Afshar/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2617